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Does Not Leave Havana, However, Because of Dons' Desires.

INQUIRY COURT ON AMERICAN SOIL

Extreme Mystery Prevails as to Its Intentions Now That It Has Returned.

The Squadron at Key West to Be Augmented.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The leading development in the Spanish situation is in connection with the definite representations submitted by the Spanish government to the state department concerning the assembling of a large fleet of American warships at Key West, the war preparations and the influence which these might have on the approaching elections in Cuba. While these representations cannot properly be regarded as a protest against the attitude and acts of the United States government they may be unquestionably set down as a remonstrance calculated to have an effect in European court circles. Not, however, being a technical protest, the statement has not called forth any official rejoinder on the part of the state department, for it is lacking in tangible accusations, being rather an argumentative presentation of alleged Spanish grievances.

The Fern is going to Havana to relieve the Montgomery as a home for the officers engaged in supervising the wrecking operations in Havana harbor. It is stated unequivocally that the Montgomery is not withdrawn owing to any suggestion from Spanish sources that her presence is not desired. It was the announced intention of Secretary Long when the cruiser was sent to Havana to keep her there only so long as the Fern should be engaged in the work of distributing relief among the sufferers in eastern Cuba.

This task having been performed, and owing to the return of the court of inquiry from Havana there being fewer persons to accommodate, the Fern, which is better equipped than the Montgomery to assist in the wrecking operations, is returned to her position. Up to the close of office hours the navy department, though it knew officially that the court of inquiry had come over to Key West from Havana, was not informed as to the findings or plans of the court.

It is said that the object of the navy department in purchasing such craft as the late Mr. Ogden Goetz's yacht Mayflower is to provide as quickly as possible a number of picket boats of good speed and also to aid our warships and more expensive vessels in operations against torpedo boats. A large number of private yachts have been offered to the department, and other acquisitions of the same type as the Mayflower may be expected.

The fleet now at Key West will be augmented within the next day or two by the arrival of the gunboat Annapolis, the torpedo boat Foote and the naval tugs Leyden and Samoset, while the gunboat Helena is now on her way from the European station under orders to report at Key West. The Helena has reported her arrival at Funchal, on her way to join the fleet. These and the other vessels previously ordered to that point constitute the largest assemblage of war vessels made since the demonstration following the Virinius affair, and, considering effectiveness and armament, it is the strongest assemblage of ships for other than review purposes since the war.

The fleet now at Key West and Tortugas is as follows: Cruiser New York, battleship Massachusetts, battleship Indiana, battleship Iowa, battleship Texas, cruiser Detroit, gunboat Nashville, cruiser Marblehead, dispatch boat Fern, torpedo boats Dupont, Cushing, Porter, Winslow and Erlson. To these will soon be added the five vessels now en route there. In addition to these the Montgomery is at Havana and is practically a part of the fleet, the gunboats Wilmington and Castine and cruiser Cincinnati are at Barbados, the Newport at Colon, with the Puritan, Newark, Amphitrite and other ships of the north Atlantic squadron at points along the coast further northward.

Secretary Alger has made requisitions on the president for two large allotments from the appropriation of \$50,000,000 for the national defense. One is for \$5,000,000 for the use of the engineer department of the army in the completion of certain fortification works along the Atlantic and gulf coasts, now in progress, and the other is for \$2,225,000 for the use of the ordnance department of the army in the acquirement of arms and ammunition. Pretty much all of this money is needed to cover contracts already made by the military establishment.

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The Populists of Georgia have nominated Hon. Thomas E. Watson for governor.

It is said that Marquis Ito's policy has improved the relations between China and Japan.

Japan has purchased a torpedo corvette being built by the Krupps in Germany for Brazil.

Edwin D. Bricker, a cadet, was seriously injured at West Point by being thrown from his horse.

The death of Minot D. Tirrell at the Westboro (Mass.) Homeopathic hospital is to be investigated.

By means of duplicate keys a savings bank vault in Mount Pleasant, Mich., was robbed of \$3,000.

Jefferson Taylor, a farmer of Afton, Ark., murdered his daughter and killed himself. He was insane.

The French minister for the colonies has refused to permit Mme. Dreyfus to join her husband on Devil's Island.

W. Sheehan of Bellevue, N. Y., is missing, and creditors, who say he owes them \$17,500, are anxious about him.

Collectors in behalf of the New Bedford strikers have gone to Fall River, Pawtucket, Worcester and New York.

The Hotel Hanover in New York was partially destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. Many guests lost valuables.

A colonial revenue cutter has left St. John's, N. F., to enforce the fishery laws against French vessels in Placentia bay.

Charles F. Kindred swore yesterday that he had never offered any one money to pass the Schuykill water bill, denying Councilman Stevenson's statement. Smith, the ward leader implicated, is away from home.

The Ellsworth Bill Defunct.

ALBANY, March 17.—The Ellsworth newspaper bill was recommitted to the senate judiciary committee yesterday at the introducer's request. This practically kills the bill.

The Fatal Railroad Crossing.

HUDSON, N. Y., March 17.—Frederick Hoyer, a merchant of Philmont, was instantly killed by a train on the Harlem railroad about a mile south of this village. He was crossing the track in his carriage at the time of the accident. He left a wife and one child.

A Requiem For the Dead.

LOWELL, Mass., March 17.—A requiem mass was celebrated for the victims of the Maine disaster at the Church of the Immaculate Conception here. Rev. Father Lawson was celebrant, and Rev. D. J. Joyce, pastor of the church, delivered the eulogy.

Troops North Carolina Can Furnish.

TREBLEIGH, March 17.—Governor Russell yesterday received a message from President McKinley asking how many troops that state could furnish in case of hostilities. The reply of the governor gives 145,000 as the number.

Bringing Gold to America.

SOUTHAMPTON, March 17.—The North German Lloyd steamer Trave, which has just sailed for New York, has 90,000,000,000 in gold.

A CHICAGO HEROINE.

Helps to Save Forty Lives at the Hazard of Her Own.

FATAL FIRE ON WABASH AVENUE.

It Is Estimated That Sixteen People Are Dead and Thirty Injured in a Blaze Which Devastated Big Business Building.

CHICAGO, March 17.—A fierce fire broke out yesterday at Wabash avenue and Adams street, across the street from the Wellington hotel, in a building occupied by a number of business firms. Within a very short space of time the building was blazing all over, and a terrific struggle took place among the hundreds of inmates to escape from the doomed edifice. Many leaped from various stories, and three were killed outright by so doing. The firemen worked most heroically and saved the lives of many who else would have perished.

It is estimated that the total number of dead is 16. It was on the sixth floor, occupied by Sweet, Wallach & Co., dealers in photographers' supplies, that the fire started. The firm employs 300 girls, and when the blaze broke out a panic ensued, many of the unfortunate being trampled under foot by their comrades.

As soon as it was learned that the building was on fire, the 40 or more girls employed by the National Music company rushed to the elevator and stairways. Miss Carney, their forewoman, tried to stop the rush, but was unable to cope with the panic stricken girls, and while some rushed down the stairways a large number beat at the elevator cage and screamed for help.

When she saw there was no hope of stopping the panic, Miss Carney darted to the elevator cage to calm the others. As the elevator ascended Miss Carney ordered the conductor to stop. She then turned and helped her frightened charges into the cage. During all the excitement she remained calm and issued orders as though directing the women at work. As the elevator started to descend without Miss Carney one of the girls cried to the conductor to stop, but the brave woman, though staring death in the face, shouted for them not to mind her, that she would take care of herself.

The girls she sent down in the elevator escaped unharmed. Two of those who bolted headlong down the narrow stairway, Josie and Annie Baxa, made their way to the second floor, but were cut off by the flames and were forced to jump from a window. They were both badly injured, but at the hospital their greatest anxiety and sorrow were regarding Forewoman Kate Carney, who it was afterward found had managed to escape.

The list of dead and missing includes, so far as known, William Olmstead, president of the Olmstead Scientific company; Miles A. Smith, salesman, 1230 Wrightwood avenue; Samuel A. Clark, employed by the Olmstead Scientific company; Charles Anderson, employed by Sweet, Wallach & Co.; Philip Farley, a piano mover; Edward Binns, cashier of the Sweet-Wallach company; McDonald, a colored man. There

were fully 30 people injured more or less seriously.

Thirty-five minutes after the fire had broken out the floors had all fallen, and a moment later the rear wall fell. The firemen working there were warned barely in time to escape being crushed. There were a number of explosions.

Shortly after the front wall bulged outward and fell, the tracks of the Union elevated loop being completely covered with debris and blocking the whole elevated system. Nearly 200 feet of the loop will have to be rebuilt.

Oldest Graduate of Rutgers Dead.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., March 17.—Rev. William Brush, who was the oldest living graduate of Rutgers college, is dead. He was born May 23, 1809. He studied at Rutgers with the class of 1830 and became a minister of the Dutch Reformed church. He retired at Morristown in 1877. He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. Morris C. Sutphen of Morristown and Rev. Dr. A. H. Brush of Brooklyn.

Millionaire Tome Dead.

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., March 17.—Jacob Tome, the millionaire philanthropist and founder of the Jacob Tome institute at this place, died here yesterday after a brief illness. He contracted pneumonia on Monday last, began to sink on Tuesday morning and never rallied. Mr. Tome was born in Mannheim township, York county, Pa., Aug. 13, 1810.

Remarkable Centenarian Dead.

LANCASTER, Pa., March 17.—Miss Peggy Turner, who was believed to be the oldest resident of the state, is dead at her home in West Lampeter, aged 107 years. She was born in this county and was never beyond its borders and was only once on the cars, a trip of 3½ miles from this city to Rohrerstown.

Wanamaker Opens His Campaign.

LANCASTER, Pa., March 17.—Ex-Postmaster General John Wanamaker opened his gubernatorial campaign in the courthouse here last night with a speech in denunciation of "boss rule," as he declared it exists in this state under the domination of United States Senator Quay and his partisans.

Philadelphia Millionaire Dead.

PHILADELPHIA, March 17.—Thomas McKean, one of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of this city, died last night. A few days ago Mr. McKean suffered a stroke of paralysis and his condition grew steadily worse. His wealth is estimated at between \$10,000,000 and \$20,000,000.

Fire Visits Another Rubber Factory.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., March 17.—The works of the Fairfield Rubber company, in the town of Fairfield, were damaged about \$15,000 by fire last evening. Much valuable machinery was practically ruined by water, which is the cause of the loss being so heavy.

American Medical Mission Attacked.

SHANGHAI, March 17.—The American medical mission in the suburbs of Chung-King-Fu, province of Szechwan, on the Yang-tze-Kiang, has been attacked by a mob. The native medical assistants have been maltreated and one has been murdered.

Brownson Arrives in London.

LONDON, March 17.—Commander W. H. Brownson, the special commissioner of the United States navy department for the inspection and selection for purchase, if conditions should require, of warships of foreign powers now on the market, arrived here. In the course of a brief interview he expressed himself as gratified to learn that the American government had purchased the Brazilian cruisers Amazonas and Aboual, Commander Brownson went immediately to the United States embassy, where he had a conference with Lieutenant Colwell, the naval attaché.

Reciprocity Treaty Approved.

LONDON, March 17.—The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Mail says: "The customs commission at its meeting yesterday approved the report relative to the basis of the treaty of commerce with the United States. Spain will concede certain reductions in tariff on condition that the United States grants benefits under the reciprocity clauses of the Dingley law."

Graham at Atlanta.

ATLANTA, March 17.—General William M. Graham, commander of the department of the south, reached Atlanta yesterday afternoon with the members of his staff. They were met by Colonel Cook and other officers from Fort McPherson and escorted to the Aragon hotel, where temporary headquarters for the department have been established.

El Herald's Plan.

MADRID, March 17.—El Herald, in a very contradictory article, supposed in official circles to be inspired, after pooh-poohing the "action that Spain desires to provoke a war," says: "If the United States really wishes peace and Spain is resolved to maintain it, let each go half way, and the pacification of Cuba will be accomplished."

May Have Secured Another Warship.

LONDON, March 17.—According to a special dispatch from Rome, Admiral Brin, the Italian minister of marine, in an ambiguous reply in the chamber of deputies yesterday afternoon gave the impression that the United States had purchased the armored cruiser Carlo Alberto.

Dividing Companies Into Squads.

LANSING, Mich., March 17.—The state military board has issued an order requiring division of companies into squads, but the assistant adjutant general says that no suggestion has been received from the war department concerning this action.

ALL MAHER'S WAY.

Steve O'Donnell Finished In Two Rounds.

Other Sporting News.

PHILADELPHIA, March 17.—The Maher-O'Donnell fight came to a sudden end last night, Maher finishing matters in short order. In the second round, after two minutes' fighting, Steve was so groggy that the referee ended the contest. Maher knocked his opponent down three times in the first round and was sent to his knees once himself. O'Donnell went down three times in the second before the referee interfered.

The schedule meeting of the New England Baseball League was held yesterday at the Quincey House, Boston. The season's schedule, compiled by Managers Burnham of Brockton and Finn of Newport, was adopted and the staff of umpires appointed. The season will open the last week in April and close the first week of September.

Mark M. Odell of Cornell's crew last year and E. L. Aldrich, a member of the baseball teams of 1895 and 1896, have started to the Klondike as agents for an Ithaca company. It is reported in Ithaca that Carl Johnson, former football player at Cornell, has lately died in his efforts to make a fortune in the goldfields.

At the New Orleans race track Cherry Leaf yesterday made a new track record, going seven furlongs in 1:27½, the best previous record being 1:27½, by Plug, in 1890. The other winning horses were Minnie Weldon, Bertha Nell, Tranny, Carrie Lyle and Gatewood.

A football meeting was held at Yale last night and attended by 50 candidates for the team. As soon as the field is in condition practice will be begun. The material for the team is light, not a single big man being present at the meeting.

John L. Sullivan, Jr., and Tim McGrath, both of Worcester, defeated 25 rounds to a draw in the Athletic Club gymnasium at New London, Conn. The bout was uninteresting.

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"I do declare, of this ain't the very hottest day I ever see, even here on Hill-top, and them bees do make an awful tiresome noise," she said, half aloud, looking across the heat-haze in the pretty garden to some bee hives on a bench under the trees. "I can't seem to settle to anything sensible to-day; I can't think what's taken me."

She continued, presently rising from the steps and lifting two tin pans, one in each hand. She rattled the shelled peas about meditatively for a few minutes, then turned and walked into the house. There had been a day when she might have said "good-by" to the old home, and gone away with "somebody"—but duty to a helpless old father had changed her destiny at a critical moment. Now, after long years, the object of her faithful devotion, lay sleeping in the churchyard, and Martha Ann Chisby found herself a lonely woman, well on in years, with only a few traces of her flower-like beauty of 20 winters ago. She managed to get along and ask no help of anyone. There had been some little money left, and there was the old place, dearer than ever to her woman's heart, now that she was bereft of all kith and kin.

It was dark and cool in the white hall, save for a bright bar of sunlight lying across the threshold of the open doorway. From the warm kitchen, whither she had gone to set the peas boiling for her midday meal, paused suddenly before a shining oblong mirror hanging upon the wall.

tie floor, rested for a time upon her bowed head.

If it was warm up on Hill-top that morning, it was broiling in the old New England village in the hollow of the hill, and Ezekiel Jones pulled up his streaming horse under the shade of a giant elm by the roadside to rest.

"By ginger! But ain't it hot, Major!" he inquired of the poor beast, whose sides labored from the exertion of drawing the buggy up the long incline. Huge drops of water rolled from him and made little pools of black in the thick, white dust of the road. Ezekiel regarded the suffering creature anxiously for a time; then throwing the reins over the dashboard, clambered down out of the buggy and proceeded to loosen and lift off some of the harness.

"It's a cruel thing to drive a beast such weather, no mistake. Ef we don't have a thunderstorm soon that will blow the spire clean off the church, then I'll be blowed myself!" he continued, having relieved the horse to his entire satisfaction. For Ezekiel Jones was a very tender-hearted man, and could not bear to see a man or beast unhappy.

After dusting a place carefully with a bit of rag from the back of the buggy, Ezekiel sat cautiously down upon a log beneath the tree. The dust lay thick on either side, and he carefully laid the tails of his best black coat, one on each knee, then fell to rummaging while wiping the inside of his hat with a highly colored handkerchief.

His gaze wandered idly across the white road, into the blossoming fields beyond, where the flowers nodded lazily under the fierce rays of the sun, and not a blade of the long grass moved in the still, breathless air. Gradually a slow smile began to dawn upon Ezekiel's solemn face, and his mild blue eyes twinkled. He carried his 50

however, and Ezekiel Jones had stood back silently, to contemplate his work. It was at that same moment that Martha Ann Chisby had stood gazing at her reflection in the mirror, in her darkened hallway.

A few stars still struggled to be seen through the dense, black cloud drifts piling up in the heavens, and heat lightning had been playing across the bank of threatening darkness in the west for nearly an hour, when Elder Jones could be seen by the neighbors cautiously making his way in his rakish old buggy, up the rough, grass-grown road to Hill-top. Martha Ann, sitting again, but this time in complete idleness, upon her doorstep, saw him, too, and intense wonder grew in her heart. Only when the tired horse came to a standstill, and his master, after fastening the short-rein to the gate post, turned deliberately and came up her garden path between the rows of tall pink hollyhocks, did Martha Ann overcome her amazement and rise hastily to her feet.

The last star was hidden in blackness and they could not see each other very plainly now, though they stood awkwardly within a few feet of one another. The man was only conscious that there was the woman his heart had hungered for through long, bitter years; while the woman burned with the guilty knowledge that for the first time she stood robed in the very gown she had worn when they two parted! Dressing herself in it had been the natural outcome of that day of unnatural emotion, and Martha Ann felt she was paying dearly for her weakness. A sudden flare of lightning made them both start, and broke the strain of the situation somewhat.

"I s'pose, so long as I've come, I may as well set down a bit," suggested Ezekiel, in a voice gruff with repressed feeling.

"It—it looks a little mite threatenin', Elder Jones, p'raps you'd best put your horse up and stop 'til the shower's over!" Martha Ann replied, with a forced cheerfulness.

Ezekiel did as she bade him; then they sat on the porch, talking bravely upon the weather, until it appeared that threadbare subject would soon be exhausted.

Presently a roll of thunder boomed about them, a gust of wind swept the porch, and a few big drops of rain fell at their feet. Martha Ann rose quickly, gathering the voluminous folds of the precious dimity muslin, with its faded rosebuds, close about her, and went into the house, followed by Ezekiel, his heart thumping like a tripphammer. For he knew his second hour had come, yet dreaded to "put it to the touch, to win or lose it all."

The excitement had brought a faint flush to Martha Ann's cheeks, and a soft light to her eyes that rolled the stone of ten years back from her age, and made her, in her faithful lover's sight, as beautiful to-night in her quaint muslin, as in the days that were dead. Martha had lighted the center lamp with such unsteady hands that Ezekiel had found it necessary to aid her. Their fingers had met and the contact had seemingly struck them dumb again, for they now sat in utter silence—Martha Ann's eyes on the gaudy flowered carpet, Ezekiel's upon her.

Suddenly a brilliant thought struck the unhappy woman; she felt the need of breaking the silence at any cost, and in his position of idleness, it was quite the proper question to put to him.

"Who've you been pustin' up now, Elder Jones?" she asked, timidly, clasping her thin fingers nervously.

A guilty wave of red flooded Ezekiel's round face, then receding, leaving him very white. He cleared his throat twice, before essaying to speak.

"Wall—Marthy Ann—I dunno as I oughter done it, but—but I—pasted you and me up!" he said at last, in a deep voice.

He clenched the sharp sides of his chair hard with his powerful hands, and fastened his blue eyes upon her face, much as a drowning man would upon a receding boat.

Martha Ann had risen and now stood looking down at him with frightened, indignant eyes.

"Ezekiel Jones—what do you mean?" she gasped, standing very straight. Ezekiel's eyes pleaded with all their might and main. "Jes' what I said—Marthy—I kinder thought it would be a good idee; I—I've waited a long while, Marthy!" he replied, desperately.

Once more they faced each other. A feeling of keen resentment came over Martha Ann for the daring part he had played, and yet womanlike, she admired him intensely for it. What it was that made her say what she did the next moment, she could never afterward explain; the heart of woman is shrouded in mystery, even to herself oftentimes.

"Well, you kin jes' go and take 'em down agin!" she said, then, in a low, angry tone.

"Do you mean that, Marthy?" Ezekiel asked, slowly, unutterable pain breaking through his voice.

There was silence for a space, only the rain beat in great gusts against the window panes, and the wind sobbed around the corners of the house, mingled with the muttering of thunder.

"Then I'll jes' go and take 'em down—as you won't 'em no way, my little Marthy. I'll go take 'em down agin," said Ezekiel at last, huskily, turning sadly away, the big tears standing in his honest eyes.

He reached the door, his hand was upon the knob, when there came a sudden, appalling burst of vivid light.

"Ezekiel!" cried a scared, faint voice.

"Ezekiel! You've been thinkin' that, as long as I've got 'em up—and—taken all the trouble, why—well, you might as well leave 'em there," she said, softly.



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Our Removal Sale has attracted unprecedented business. The enormous values sent out are daily bringing in new trade, which finds every expectation realized. We will make it worth while for any one to visit our store during the balance of our Removal Sale, ever if you live 50 miles from here. You should forget distance, because such values as these were never offered before.

REMOVAL SALE OF Three big lots. Lot 1—EMBROIDERIES. Here is a bargain that you will long remember with pleasure. Hamburg Embroidery in many patterns, wide margin, deep needlework, 4 to 8 inches wide, regular price 8 to 10c a yard. Removal price 5c per yard.

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LADIES' BLACK SILK LUSTRE Brilliantine Skirts, lined and interfaced, full 4 yards wide, closed seams, worth \$4. Removal price \$2.50.

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There was filed, yesterday, by the Erie Railroad with the Secretary of State a certificate of increase of capital stock from \$146,000,000 to \$172,000,000. The increase is \$26,000,000.

This new stock is to provide for an exchange for the like amount of the capital stock of the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad, according to the terms of the lease between the two railroad companies. The amount of capital stock of the Erie Railroad Company actually paid in is \$146,000,000. The bonded debt is \$280,756,308.

With the increase the total amount of capital stock of the company, \$172,000,000, is divided into the following classes: Common stock, \$113,000,000; first preferred stock, \$43,000,000, and second preferred stock, \$26,000,000. The amount of corporation tax paid by the company to the State for the privilege of increasing its capital by \$26,000,000 was \$32,500.

An application to increase the capital stock was first made to the State Railroad Commissioners and was promptly granted.

### NEW ERIE EMPLOYEES DISCHARGED

Erie Grievance Committee's Successful Protest in Behalf of Old Hands.

An order posted on the bulletin board in the telegraph office in the Erie depot, at Binghamton, attracts a good deal of attention says the *Leader*. The notice, which was received from the superintendent at Susquehanna, states that fifty-five men in the employ of the Erie company have been thrown out of work. The order is issued as a result of trouble the grievance committee has experienced lately and which has caused the members to "kick." They claim that new men have been provided with positions on the road that rightfully belong to the old and experienced employees. The complaint was recognized as just and the issuing of the order resulted.

### STARVING IN PORT JERVIS.

A Young Medical Student Falls In the Street from Exhaustion and Hunger.

A Port Jervis correspondent says: George Gray, of Binghamton, son of a well-known commercial traveller, fell on the sidewalk on Mary street, Wednesday morning, from exhaustion and hunger. The young man had been studying medicine at Baltimore and had just recovered from a severe illness. He was on his way home to Binghamton, but his funds gave out at this place. He wandered about for two days too proud to beg until he was too weak to stand. Friends are on their way from Binghamton to take the young man home.

### Card to Hillside Cemetery Lot Owners.

The committee appointed by the lot owners of Hillside Cemetery for the selection of a date and place for holding an adjourned meeting have secured the Assembly Rooms for Friday evening, March 18, when the meeting will be called to order at 7:30 sharp.

Every lot owner, lady or gentleman, is requested to attend.

W. B. ROYCE,  
H. W. CORREY,  
W. H. KNAPP.

### Monticello's Village Election.

The following village officers were elected in Monticello Tuesday: Samuel B. Greene, president; Samuel Mearns, collector; S. G. Carpenter, treasurer; Patrick H. Ryan, trustee for one year; Joseph Engleman, trustee for two years. The above ticket was the only one in the field with the exception of collector, for which Theodore Allan ran on a stump ticket and received twenty votes out of 150 polled.

### Delegates to the State Convention of Baptist Young People's Societies.

The semi-annual meeting of the young people's societies of the Hudson River Central Baptist Association was held in Newburgh, Tuesday. D. E. Lain, of this city, was chosen one of the delegates to the State Association which meets in western New York in October.

### The Howell Separation Case.

Judge Chester, before whom Mrs. Howell's suit for separation and alimony from her husband, Rev. D. T. Howell, of Monticello, was heard, Saturday, said the case was a most unusual one, and he would carefully look over the papers presented, reserving his decision.

### Farmers Starting Milk Routes.

From the Newburgh News.

A number of farmers near this city, dissatisfied with the prices they have been getting for their milk, are going into the retail business themselves and starting milk routes in town.

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### ODD FELLOWS' GRAND COMMITTEE

Nominations for Grand Officers—Largest District Meetings Ever Held.

The Odd Fellows nominated the following grand officers, Wednesday, at their convention in this city:

D. D. G. M.—T. A. March.  
Secretary—Robt. Lawrence.  
Grand Master—Franklin P. Troutman.  
Grand Marshal—Henry V. Boist.  
G. W.—A. S. Tompkins.  
G. S.—Francis A. Lefluntte.  
T.—John F. Bullecamp.  
G. R.—W. R. Spooner.

The next session will be held the third Wednesday in March, 1899, with Eustachia Lodge, Port Jervis.

Wednesday's meetings in this city and Newburgh were the largest ever held. There were one hundred past grands at District No. 1's meeting and seventy at the one in this city.

### THE OTHER FELLOW'S BILL.

Port Jervis Trustees and Board of Education at Odds About the School Census Bill.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has advised the Board of Education of Port Jervis that W. H. Boner's bill of \$58.50 for taking the village's school census is a proper charge against the village and not against the school district. The village trustees rejected the bill on the ground that the village had no fund out of which to pay the claim. In the meantime Mr. Boner is planning how he'll spend the money when he gets it.

### Port Jervis Telephone Company Increases Its Capital Stock.

The Port Jervis Telephone Company has voted to increase its capital stock from \$4,000 to \$6,000. The increase was necessary because the business of the company has very largely outgrown the expectations of its organizers. It was expected that the company would not have over 100 or 125 subscribers, but already nearly 180 instruments are in place, and before May it is expected that there will be 200.

### Caught a Carrier Pigeon With a Mysterious Message.

Correspondence of Agents and Mercury.

J. H. Bride, coachman for M. L. Sanford, caught a weary carrier pigeon in his employer's bar, near Warwick, Wednesday morning. On one of the pigeon's legs was a small aluminum band underneath which was fastened a paper bearing these letters and figures—"R. H. C. 97-1359." Is it a war message from Cuba?

### Big Receipts at the Maine Memorial Benefit in Newburgh.

The receipts of the Maine memorial benefit at the Newburgh armory, Tuesday evening, were \$228.45. Ringgold Hose Co. defeated the Fifth Separate Co.'s "scrub" team by 6 to 2, while the regulars won from the Newburgh Wheelmen 4 to 0. A race between two one-legged men was a feature of the evening's entertainment.

### Delhi and Bloomville Electric Railroad Company's Officers.

The Delhi and Bloomville Electric Railroad Company was organized, Saturday evening, by the election of the following officers: President, George Ade; Vice President, R. P. Cornack; Secretary and Treasurer, A. J. Corbin; General Manager and Superintendent of Construction, B. C. Friel; Chief Engineer, W. B. Peters.

### A New Company Organized.

The Delaware and Hudson Stone and Construction Company, of Port Jervis, has been organized with a capital of \$100,000. The directors are: W. S. Bouto, J. G. Hillard and L. H. Smith, New York city; J. T. Stickney, Ellenville; E. S. Little, Brooklyn.

### A Great Surprise

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Major Dean of Columbus, Ohio, says: I wish to add to the number of certificates as to the benefits derived from the Pyramid Pile Cure. I suffered from piles for forty years and from itching piles for twenty years and two boxes of the Pyramid Pile Cure have effectually cured me.

Most druggists sell Pyramid Pile Cure or will get it for you if you ask them to. It is 50c. for full sized package and is put up by the Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich.

### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

### A Giant Nerve Builder.

The Mystic Life Renewer is the most powerful nerve builder known. It absolutely cures all forms of nervous diseases and weakness no matter how aggravated or of how long duration, such as neuralgia, nervous prostration, nervous paroxysms, St. Vitus's dance, palpitation of the heart, physical and mental weakness, debility of old age etc. Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, Druggist, Middletown.

### Ideal Treatment for Rheumatism.

The "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism removes at once the rheumatic poison from the system and the disease immediately disappears. Whilst the "Mystic Life Renewer" builds up the shattered nervous system, improves the digestion and restores the general health. It is the greatest cure for all nervous diseases and weakness as well as the most powerful nerve builder known. Sold by J. E. Mills, 2 Empire Block, Druggist, Middletown.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. W. D. Olney.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. W. D. Olney.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers the famous little pills. W. D. Olney.

### Dr. Miles' Pain Pills are guaranteed to stop Headache in 20 minutes. "One cent a dose."

### New York Produce Market

New York, March 17, '98.  
BUTTER—Receipts for week 29,582 packages; exports for week 4,271 packages.  
Creamery, table or pails, extra..... 19 60  
Do, firsts..... 18 60  
State dairy, half milk tubs and pails, extra..... 18 60  
Do, firsts..... 17 60  
Western dairy, firsts..... 16 60  
Do, seconds..... 15 60  
Western factory, extra..... 11 60  
Do, firsts..... 10 60  
CHEESE—Receipts for week 10,538 boxes; exports 9,754 boxes.  
State factory, full cream, fancy..... 24 60  
Full cream, fine..... 23 60  
State factory, skims..... 2 60  
POULTRY AND GAME—  
LIVE POULTRY.  
Chickens, per lb..... 8 60  
Roosters, per pound..... 8 60  
Fowls, per pound..... 10 60  
Turkeys, per pound..... 10 60  
Ducks, per pair..... 1 00  
Geese, per pair..... 1 00  
DRESSED POULTRY.  
Chickens, per pound..... 10 60  
Fowls, State and Jersey, per pound..... 10 60  
Ducks, per pound..... 10 60  
EGGS—Receipts for week 67,460 cases; and 10,474 barrels.  
State and Pennsylvania, per dozen..... 10 60  
Western, per dozen..... 10 60  
FRESH AND DRESSED MEATS.  
Apples, per barrel..... 3 00  
Strawberries, per basket..... 2 00  
VEGETABLES.  
Potatoes, per barrel..... 2 00  
Cabbage, per 100..... 1 00  
Onions, per barrel..... 1 00  
Celery, per dozen..... 2 00  
SUNDRIES.  
Honey, per pound..... 24 60  
Milk, per pound..... 10 60  
MILK—The surplus on the railroad platform has been sold at a price of 40 cents a quart. The Exchange price is 25c a quart, net, to the shipper.

Names	Cans	Cans	Cans
D. L. & Co.	5,525	78	134
Erie	5,525	78	134
N. Y. & W.	3,400	103	183
Susquehanna & W. & W.	1,000	26	26
New York & N. H.	1,475	36	36
Westchester	1,475	36	36
New York Central	1,475	36	36
New York & N. H.	1,475	36	36
Marshalltown	1,475	36	36
Total	20,000	106	200



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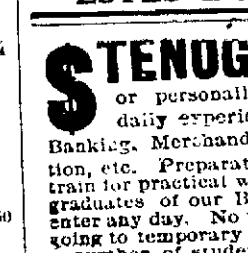
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## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C. March 17.—Fair and colder, to-night, Friday, fair, north-westerly winds.

## THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:  
7 a. m., 45°; 12 m., 66°; 3 p. m., 64°.

Reports received by the State Excise Department show that since Oct. 1st \$4,615 has been collected throughout the State for violations of the liquor tax law. During all last year only \$3,719 was collected. These figures indicate that the law is being violated more frequently than it was when newly added to its terrors, or that juries are more ready to convict and judges less reluctant to impose heavy fines.

The American people's consumption of beer in 1897 was less by 1,402,999 barrels than in 1896. The decrease in beer consumption began in 1893, about the time that the pinch of hard times was first felt, and those who have studied the matter in its business aspects have concluded that people have given up beer drinking, not because they no longer thirst for it, but because they have not the money with which to pay for quenching their thirst. Confirmation of this theory is found in the fact that the decrease in beer consumption is most marked in the cities and states that have suffered most from business depression, while in those which have been fairly prosperous there has been a steady increase in the quantity of beer consumed.

Although a very large number of teachers took the January examination for certificates in Sullivan county, only four passed, two in each district. The State Department is each year making the question for teachers' examinations more difficult and, although the law provides for picking out with temporary licenses the supply of teachers who do not hold certificates, the time is not far distant when there will not begin to be enough teachers to supply all of the schools. Realizing how high the standard of teachers' qualifications is being made young men and women who now turn to teaching will give it the go-by for other pursuits. It is all right to improve the quality of teachers, but when the improvement is carried so far that wages go beyond the paying capacity of small and sparsely populated districts and there are no longer teachers enough to go around the means used are defeating the great end sought,—the improvement of the schools in the country districts.

Water Commissioner Millen's letter on the subject of an increased water supply, which is published in another column, is most timely and deserves the careful consideration of citizens and taxpayers. It is calm and dispassionate and presents clearly and intelligently the reasons which have influenced the Water Board to ask for an appropriation for the extension of the city's water supply. Mr. Millen shows that there will be no increase of taxation as a result of the extension of the water system on the plan proposed, and answers briefly and effectively some of the objections that have been urged to the proposed plan. The strongest point made by Mr. Millen is that unless the city can so increase its water supply as to attract manufacturers it will retrograde. The Water Board is looking to the possibilities and needs of the future as well as to those of the present. What Middletown is today is the direct result of its progressive spirit in the past. And our city is to increase in business and population progressive-ness must not be allowed to give place to a moss-grown and mildewed conservatism that sees only the needs of today, but must selfish interests and personal contentions be allowed to force to one side that united public spirit without which no city can prosper.

## HAVE THEY ELOPED?

A Young Married Man and a Young Married Woman Reported to Have Left Town Together.

A well known young married man and a short thin woman whose name is missing. A young woman, the daughter of a respectable and hard working man, who has had a marriage experience, but little longer than the others is also said to be missing.

Those who were at the Erie depot Wednesday, saw the young woman hurrying along the platform just as train 21, bound for Port Jervis started. She was carrying a good sized satchel and she was assisted on the train by a young man who exists about the depot who prevents her going under the wheels.

It is said that the young married man first referred to was on the train and that the couple occupied the same seat as the train passed on its way westward and those who know much about the couple have sized it up as an elopement.

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## MAINE COURT OF INQUIRY.

A Messenger Probably On His Way to Washington With the Court's Conclusion.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The President expects the report of the Maine Court of Inquiry, to-morrow or next day. It may even now be on its way from Key West to Washington.

When the court arrived at Key West from Havana and reported to Admiral Sigsbee what progress it has made towards reaching the end of its long task the Admiral promptly communicated with the Secretary of the Navy. It was the Secretary's purpose to have a synopsis of the court's conclusions telegraphed in cipher to Washington, but learning that this might not insure secrecy, the President directed that a naval officer be detailed to bring the report to this city.

It is probable that the officer bearing the report has already started, and the President therefore expects to soon be in possession of the information that the court has reached.

It is not known positively that the court's conclusions are final, but if the ordinary routine of a Court of Inquiry has been followed in this case they probably are, unless the Secretary of the Navy believes, after looking into the testimony, that some lines of investigation should be further pursued.

## TRANSFER OF THE AMAZONAS.

Will Be Made at Gravesend To-morrow—Spain After Italian War Ships.

By Associated Press.

LONDON, March 17.—The Amazonas will be formally transferred to the United States, to-morrow, at Gravesend. Lieut. Commander Colwell, the U. S. Naval Attaché here, will take possession of the vessel on behalf of the government and will receive the ship from her Brazilian commander. A crew from the San Francisco will then be marched on board and the Brazilian flag will be hauled down.

Special despatches from Rome say the Italian Minister of Marine has informed the Spanish Ambassador to Italy that his request that Italy sell three war ships to Spain will be discussed at the next Cabinet meeting.

## SPAIN'S AUXILIARY FLEET.

Vessels of the Transatlantic Line May Be Armed.

By Associated Press.

MADRID, March 17.—Admiral Bemejo, Minister of Marine, conferred, to-day, with representatives of the Campana Transatlantica steamship line with a view of arming the company's ships.

## SPAIN GETS AN ITALIAN CRUISER.

By Associated Press.

LONDON, March 17.—A special cable dispatch from Rome, to-day, says that the Italian government has sold the armored cruiser, Varese, to Spain.

## DEATH OF BLANCHE K. BRUCE.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—Hon. Blanche K. Bruce, Register of the Treasury, died at 8 o'clock, this morning.

## FRIDAY NIGHT'S GAMES AT THE ARMORY.

The Teams That Will Participate in the Base and Basket Ball Games.

The following are the teams to play in the base ball and basket ball games at the armory, Friday night.

## BASE BALL.

Middletown Club Position: Twenty fourth  
F. M. Stratton Catcher G. Wallace  
R. Wiggins Pitcher E. Rose  
H. Hayes First Base O. Hill  
T. E. Hayes Second Base C. Dickerson  
F. S. Rogers Short Stop H. Powelson  
C. A. Ketcham Third Base G. M. Milquagh  
A. E. Powelson Left Field O. Donald  
F. R. Vent a Right Field H. L. Steadman  
Capt. Thompson Basket Ball Capt. Dickerson's  
Thompson Centre Wendenroth  
Bannister L. F. Lawrence  
Gammis R. G. Gould  
Powelson R. G. Gould  
R. Terhune L. G. Gausman

The base ball game will commence promptly at 8:30 and will be followed by basket ball. Admission to both games fifteen cents.

## BURGLARS AT WORK IN WARWICK.

A Business Place Entered and an Attempt Made on a Residence.

Burglars were at work in Warwick, Wednesday night. They entered the office of Val & Val through a window, pried open the cash drawer, but got nothing out then trouble.

An attempt was then made to enter the residence of John R. Vandervoort, on West street, but the noise aroused Mr. Vandervoort. The burglar fled, and Mr. Vandervoort had twice after him, but did not hit him.

## High School Boys Have an Indoor Play Ground.

The boys of the High School have rented the second floor of the elevator factory on Union street, and basket and indoor base ball are played nightly.

Some of the boys are also practicing running. The games during the coming season will doubtless find Middletown well represented.

## Died of His Injuries.

John Morrison of Little Britain, who was injured Monday, by having his arm crushed in the machinery of his grist mill, died, Wednesday morning, at 4 o'clock, from the effects of shock. He was thirty-five years old, married and highly esteemed.

A wheelman's tool bag isn't complete without a bottle of Dr. Thomas' E. L. Col. Oil. Heals cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Monarch over pain.

## AN INCREASED WATER SUPPLY.

Several Communications Favoring the Proposition Crowded Out—Would Be a Surprising Outcome.

As showing the interest taken by intelligent, progressive and public spirited citizens in the question of increased water supply, we may mention that in addition to the two communications favoring an increased supply, which are printed elsewhere several others taking the same view of the subject were crowded out.

It would certainly be a most astonishing outcome of this water question if, after spending \$6,000 in finding out the best source of an increased supply, Middletown's citizens should vote that there was no need of more water.

## SUIT AGAINST A TOWN.

The Town of Crawford Asked to Pay for a Horse Injured on a Detention Bridge.

The case of Charles E. Terwilliger vs. the town of Crawford was tried before Justice Eager and a jury at Montgomery, to-day. The plaintiff claims that a horse of his fell through a faulty bridge and was injured. J. C. R. Taylor appeared for the town of Crawford and Hector Sears and Lewis Hasbrouck appeared for the plaintiff.

## HE CALLED IT "NO SALE."

Sylvester Giveans Quietly Took the Cows Back.

Sylvester Giveans, the drover, sold the Traction Company two cows for its "farm" at Phillipsburgh, and when the twenty-five-cents-a-dollar was offered him he quietly declined and went down and removed the cows.

## The Sale of the Tompkins House.

The old Woodward house, at 29 Highland avenue, recently purchased by Frank O. Tompkins, and which is to be removed from the lot that Mr. Tompkins may erect a large modern structure there, was offered at auction, this afternoon, by Auctioneer Kaufman. Only \$126 was bid, and this was rejected. The steam heating plant was then sold to Joseph Ehner for \$65.

## "Goose" Crans Must Stay Out of Town.

"Goose" Crans was arrested again, to-day, on a charge of disorderly conduct, the complaint against him being made by his wife, who always figures in this role when "Goose" faces his Honor. He was given five days in which to get out of town and is to stay away, once he is out.

## Charged With Jumping His Board.

William Backey was arrested, Wednesday, charged with leaving a board bill unpaid at F. M. Dineen's. He asked for a trial and the case was set down for March 23, at 9 o'clock.

## Police Force Changes.

Officer Elsie White resumes his duties on the police force, to-night, and Officer Ballentine retires. The latter has secured a position with the Traction Company.

## Umpqua Tribe to Give a Dance.

Umpqua Tribe of Red Men will give a dance at Odd Fellows' hall, Friday evening, March 25. Music by Roescher's orchestra, tickets 25 cents.

## Give the Children a Drink.

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about one-fourth as much as coffee. 15c and 25c.

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1 case Ferris Waists, ladies' and child's, 25, 50, 75c, \$1.

1 case celebrated Jackson Waists, ladies', \$1.

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—Horses for sale by Edward Lyons.  
—Store in German Building to let.  
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—See E. M. Boyd's ad in this issue.  
—Houses and lots for sale by A. V. Boak.  
—Girl wanted to do housework.  
—Apartments to let.  
—China cream pitcher given away at A. and P. Tea Store.  
—Spring suits and overcoats at Morris Wolf's.  
—When ailing, take Munyon's Remedies.  
—Backache cured by Benson's Capelin Plasters.  
—Colds cured by Hale's Horebmond, Honey and Tar.  
—Dyspepsia cured by Dr. Dunn's Dyspepsia Pills.  
—For kidney troubles, take Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

### LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.

—Basket ball and base ball at the armory, to-morrow night.

—The masquerade ball, to-night, is expected to be a great success.

—Walton's taxpayers have voted down a proposition to hire a night watchman.

—The grand march at the masquerade ball, to-night, will start at 9 p. m. precisely.

—James H. Wallick's "A Guilty Mother," Co. at the Casino, Saturday evening.

—E. Ayres will have a carload of Pennsylvania horses at his yards, Saturday morning.

—New maple syrup sold as low as sixty-five cents a gallon in Downsville, last week.

—Berg's orchestra will furnish the music for the masquerade ball, at the Casino, to-night.

—The St. Patrick's Day services in St. Joseph's Church, this morning, were very largely attended.

—Remember the masquerade ball at the Casino, to-night. Ladies' tickets are only fifteen cents.

—Seventeen cents a pound is the ruling price paid for new butter at the stores in Delaware county, villages.

—Norwich parties are planning to establish a gas plant in Walton, if sufficient encouragement is given.

—Sinsbaugh & Co. have sold their black dirt tract on Monhagen avenue to J. L. Burdick, of Luckawaxen.

—All who assisted at the fair of St. Joseph's L.C. B. U. are invited to attend the reception at Neering Hall, to-night.

—Two dogs broke into Charles Parry's chicken house on Linden avenue, Wednesday night, and killed four of his finest Cochins.

—W. L. Rodgers has received the contract to place the ball on the armory flag pole and to fasten the flag halyards at the top.

—The tea store on East Main street was closed by Deputy Sheriff Finkler, Wednesday, judgments having been taken against it.

—Thomas Donovan supplied a number of friends, to-day, with sprigs of genuine shamrock, grown from roots brought from the Green Isle.

—Don't forget the St. Patrick's Social Club's ball, to-night, at the Assembly Rooms. Ladies free. After intermission tickets will be 25 cents.

—The Middletown Club's base ball team will play a picked team of 25th Separate Company players at the armory, to-morrow night.

—With weather as perfect as this, Middletowners who have stayed at home have no reason to envy those who have gone south in quest of a milder climate.

—The nineteenth annual ball of Middletown Division, No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will be held at the Assembly Rooms, Easter Monday, April 11th.

—Hieves stole two choice Plymouth Rock pillets from the henery of Rev. Robert Knapp, in Walton, Thursday night. They left in their place a magpie-rooster stolen somewhere else.

—Owing to the amount of recovery carried by the Guilty Mother Co., which will appear at the Casino, Saturday evening, it will be impossible to give a matinee. One of the features of the scenery is several immense mirrors which are so arranged that they will be a revelation to theatre-goers.

### PERSONAL.

—Frank Weed is visiting in this city.

—Hoik B. Campbell went to New York city, to-day.

—Dr. C. W. Roberts, of Scranton, was in town, to-day.

—James L. Stewart and family will shortly remove to the Market house on Prospect street.

—Mrs. Lawder, of Orchard street, went to New York city, to-day, where her sister is very ill.

—Miss Clark, of Westtown, is visiting her cousin, Miss Nellie Patterson, on Clark street.—Port Jervis Gazette.

—C. V. A. Decker and W. C. Crosby, ex-members of the Fourteenth Separate Company, of Kingston, were in town, to-day.

—Mrs. T. E. Fogg, who has been visiting in this city, returned to Oceanic, N. J., to-day, where her husband is trainer for A. A. Roemer.

—Mrs. Henry Saunders, of Oneonta, who has been visiting Mrs. Geo. M. Millsap, and Mrs. A. Stanley Douglas, returned home, to-day.

—J. P. Horst, of Albany, well known to hotel men all over the State, and a pinochle player of recognized merit, is stopping at Theo. Frank's Erie House.

—School Commissioner and Mrs. W. P. Kauffman, of Otisville, were in Port Jervis, Wednesday, looking for a house, it being their intention to make that village their permanent residence.

—Mrs. B. Middaugh, of Matamoras, and little daughter, left town, Wednesday, for a visit to her parents in Middletown. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harvey, of that city, who formerly resided here for many years.—Port Jervis Union.

### THE TROLLEY ROAD SALE.

#### FURTHER FACTS AND DETAILS CONCERNING THE TRANSFER.

Plans of the New Owners—A Large Sum to be spent in Improving the Road and its Equipment—Creditors of the Road Received Checks in Settlement of Claims, Yesterday—The Personnel of the New Company.

The sale of the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company, Wednesday, which was exclusively announced in the Argus, is almost the sole topic of conversation about town, to-day. The names of the purchasers are all new to the residents of this city, and the outcome of the new management is looked forward to with interest.

The directors elected at the meeting, Wednesday afternoon, at the Traction Company's office, are:

A. McKeige, Brooklyn; C. G. M. Thomas, Henry M. Brundage, New York city; W. G. Rock, Flushing, L. I.; Isaac M. Thomas, Wilkesbarre; Robert Wetherill, Chester, Pa.; W. B. Royce, this city.

The officers elected were: President—F. McKeige.

Vice President and Treasurer—C. G. M. Thomas.

Secretary—Henry M. Brundage.

General Manager—W. A. Grautien.

The directors who were retired were James C. and John C. Hinchcliffe, Paterson; M. J. Wightman, Scranton; W. H. Doughton, J. R. Brasius, D. A. Hunter, Philadelphia; W. B. Rockwell and E. G. Wightman retired when the boardholders assumed control of the road, Feb. 21.

The change in proprietorship resulted in a swift wiping out of indebtedness, Wednesday afternoon. The city received \$560.87, the full amount of the tax delinquency of the company. The new company will carry out the agreement made with the city by Capt. Rockwell regarding the paving assessments.

The company's unsecured indebtedness was about \$22,000. As above stated the city's claims will be paid in full, but nearly all the holders of claims against the company for supplies furnished and on open accounts of various kinds agreed to accept twenty-five cents on the dollar in full settlement, and were paid, yesterday. The holders of bills amounting to about \$200 refused to accept the terms offered, and it is expected that some of them will accept the offer of twenty-five percent, to-day. The wages of employees were, of course, paid in full.

William Danvers, who had a suit pending for \$50,000 for the loss of two legs, a few years ago, settled through his attorney, J. C. B. Taylor, for \$2,000.

Judgments in favor of the Rockwell Construction Company and O'Neill & Royce, amounting to about \$20,000, were satisfied of record, yesterday. An assignment was taken of Mrs. Charles Clark's judgment for damages to her property, corner of North street and Wickham avenue, by the tracks being laid close to the curb. Mrs. Clark receiving the full amount of the original judgment with interest and costs. This action is now in the Court of Appeals and it is expected that the case will be continued there in order that the judgment of the court may be obtained on the legal questions involved.

All of the taxes due the towns of Goshen and Wallick were also settled for the full amount.

Vice President Thomas, who looks what he says, when he insists that this road is to be made popular, said to an Argus reporter at the Russell House, Wednesday night:

"We intend to make the road popular, and we're going to try hard to reach that end. The first thing we'll do will be to put some power into the wires. We will erect feed wires all through the city, and there'll be no more wearing out of motors through lack of current.

"We will paint all the cars a new color if you're painters can do it reasonably. I think people like to ride in nice, bright cars.

"We will have every conductor neatly and properly uniformed and all alike.

"We have bought the park, of course, and a beautiful spot it is. We have learned that it has just been leased to Mr. Hinchcliffe, and we will look into that."

Mr. Thomas also expressed himself as well pleased with this city having visited it frequently to quietly watch the operations of the road, and to judge of its earning capacity and the possibilities of bettering the service and increasing the revenues.

It is the intention of the new owners of the road to at once spend between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in improvements to the property.

On the personnel of the company it may be said that the wealthy man of the concern is President McKeige. He is wealthy in his own right and he inherited a large amount of money from his uncle, Gen. Spinola, the well known Democratic politician.

His home is in Fairfield Place, Brooklyn, or rather one of his homes, for he maintains a delightful home at Crane Neck, on the Sound, opposite Bridgeport, and one at Hempstead, L. I. He owns the yachts Elmere and Trineah, though the latter was not placed in commission, last year.

His business interests are mainly in New York city, where he is secretary and treasurer of the Standard Gas Company, a position he has held since the organization of the company in 1887. It supplies light to 60,000 private consumers in New York city and to 4,000 street lamps.

Vice President C. G. M. Thomas lives at 121 West 123d street, New York city. He proposes to spend as much of his time here as is necessary, and will quite likely live here in the summer. He is president of the New Palis and Wallkill Valley Electric Railroad, which is one of the

best in the country. It is heavily constructed, freight and coal cars being hauled over it to and from the Poughkeepsie bridge. It runs a combination baggage and passenger car, with toilet room, etc., almost as large as a regular steam car.

General Manager Grautien is also general manager of that road. He is a practical electrician, and will divide his time between the two roads. Mr. Rock, who remains in the company's office here for the present, will also alternate between the two roads later.

### EX-MAYOR BERRY'S ESTATE.

We Left No Will—Mrs. Berry Accepts from the Heirs a Gross Sum in Lieu of Dower—Real Estate to be Sold.

The late Mayor D. W. Berry died without making any disposition of his property. His widow was appointed administratrix, and S. M. Boyd has been her attorney in the settlement which has just been reached with the other heirs.

The personal property of the deceased was not sufficient to pay the indebtedness, the real estate, however, being valued at about \$30,000. The heirs were Mrs. Berry, Hon. Silas W. Berry, a brother of the deceased, Miss Mary Delette Berry, a sister of the deceased, both of Norwich; a sister, Mrs. Lucy O. Brown, wife of George B. Brown, of Scranton, and Richard W. Scott, a nephew, and Lucy O. Scott, a niece, of Williamsport, Pa.

Mrs. Berry has accepted from the other heirs a generous sum in lieu of her dower, and the heirs will divide the following properties, all of which have been placed in the hands of A. V. Boak to be sold:

The homestead on Wickham avenue.

The General DeWitt property on Mon-

ahan avenue.

Dwelling on the northwest corner of Houston and Syracuse avenues.

Lot on Highland avenue, nearly opposite W. N. Quay's.

Lot running through from Columbia to Many avenue.

Cremery property at Circleville, including dwelling, barn, two ice houses and eleven acres of land.

George H. Decker has been appointed by the surrogate to appraise the inheritance tax due from the estate.

### MESSAGE FROM THE OTHER WORLD.

C. J. Stout's spirit said to have Told Miss King That It "Don't" Like the Way Things are Going On.

It is reported that Miss Anna King, who was made heir and executrix by the will of the late C. J. Stout, has had communication with his departed spirit at the home of J. J. Huyler, on Benton avenue. The story, as it comes to the Argus, is that the spirit was in a disappointed mood. It regretted "the way things are going on." It did not want "my son, Charles, to have anything," and it was grieved that she had given him the watch and the furniture in the house where he had lived in the body.

### A TRUCKMAN'S LUCKY ESCAPE.

Thrown Backward from His Truck, but Was Not Injured.

J. P. Conkling, the well-known truckman, was loading a box in his truck on Spring street, this morning, when a dog frightened his horse, which jumped and ran. Mr. Conkling and the box were thrown from the back of the wagon into the street. He escaped injury, while the horse, apparently ashamed of his needless alarm, ran half the length of Spring street, turned around safely and returned to his owner and stopped.

### Want the Cellars of Badness Places Inspected.

The Business Men's Association's committee has found that insurance men are complaining about the cellars of this city in which are stored quantities of boxes and inflammable rubbish. An effort is to be made to have an inspector appointed.

### Charged With Non-Support.

"Prof." Louis Jester was arrested, this afternoon, by Policeman Tyrell, on complaint of his wife, who charges him with non-support.

She reached here, this morning, and the police have been looking for him all day.

### Not the Fallsburgh Man.

J. J. Mahoney, the O. and W. station agent at Fallsburgh, is not missing, hence the rumor that he was the man who was cut up at Port Jervis, Sunday night, is untrue. It is now believed that J. J. Mahoney, of No. 41 Beacon street, Jersey City, is the man who was killed.

### Going into the Fur Hat Trade.

The Mattheawan Manufacturing Co., which has heretofore made wool hats exclusively, is experimenting with fur hats. Nearly all the wool shops in Reading, Pa., are now making fur hats.

### Takes Possession of His New House.

Frank O. Grover, the well known mail clerk, took possession, Wednesday, of the attractive Perlee house on Albert street, which he recently purchased.

### Off to the Gold Fields.

A. Morse, T. Hamilton and several others from Sidney and Bainbridge left on the night line, Monday, for the gold fields of Alaska.

### Elected Collector of Pelham Manor.

Charles F. Roper was elected collector of the village of Pelham Manor, Tuesday, defeating his opponent 75 to 1.

The evidence in the case proves Hood's Sarsaparilla cures eczema, salt rheum, boils, humors and all eruptions.

### AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

#### INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Lecture on Ireland—Supper at the W. E. Church—St. Patrick's Day Services—A New Building—Putting the Driving Park in Order—Orange Lodge's Anniversary—Catastrophe's Victims—For the Relief of Starving Cubans.

From Our Regular Correspondent

—Catastrophe minstrel performance will be given on the evening of April 21 and 23.

—At prayer meeting in the Presbyterian chapel, last evening, Rev. R. B. Clark appointed the following persons to solicit aid for the starving inhabitants of Cuba: Rev. F. A. Crane, C. E. Millsap, Dr. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. N. J. Kelsey, Miss Miller, Miss Anna A. Garrard.

—J. J. Fitzgerald will erect on the site of his present blacksmith shop, a more commodious structure with dwelling apartments on the second floor.

—Miss Marjorie Van Noyse will receive her friends at her home, to-morrow afternoon, from 4 to 7 o'clock.

—Goshen Driving Park is being put in condition for the coming racing season.

—Invitations have been issued for the fifteenth anniversary of Orange Lodge, next Monday evening.

—The Ladies' Aid Social at Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt C. Durland's will be given, to-morrow night.

—St. John's Church was filled last night with a large audience, when Rev. Edward Tierney delivered his illustrated lecture, "Ireland." A carload from Middletown attended.

—Everyone will be welcomed at the supper at the M. E. Church, to-night. An evening of rare enjoyment is assured to those who attend.

—Services were held, this morning, at St. John's Church, commemorative of St. Patrick, Ireland's patron saint.

### AN OLD-TIME FOX HUNT.

Six Well Known Hunters and Nine Hounds Have a Hunt Near Highland Lake.

An old-time fox hunt was held in the vicinity of Highland Lake, a few days ago, in which the following participated: Cooper Degraw, John Degraw, William Steele, Harry Predmore, Barney Givens and Robert Wallace. Nine hounds were in the pack which followed the scent, and they did excellent work.

The fox was finally rounded up in front of Oscar Spears, who shot it.

Another hunt is being arranged for in the near future.

### A SMASH UP.

Two Fast Drivers Come to Grief on East Main Street.

About 11:45, Wednesday night, two men in a cart drove a horse on a run through East Main street. At Grand avenue they attempted to cross the trolley tracks, when the wheels were broken and both men were thrown out. One held the horse and no further damage was done, and the men led the horse to a lively stable.

### Graduated from the Middletown School of Commerce.

Miss Sadie K. Roosa, of Little avenue, this city, a recent graduate of the Middletown School of Commerce, 47 Washington street, has accepted a position in New York city, as stenographer and bookkeeper, in a large lumber office, on Cortlandt street, on a fine salary.

Miss Roosa is a sister of Miss Susie Roosa, one of the teachers in the new High School of this city.

### Had a Very Narrow Escape.

A farmer had a very narrow escape at the East Main street crossing, Wednesday night. He and his wagon would certainly have been struck had it not been for the activity of Hagman Charles Daily.

### Real Estate.

—W. A. Vail has sold a lot on West Side Heights to James McKernan, night watchman at the O. and W. shops.

### Closed a Contractor Five Houses.

L. V. Sinsbaugh & Co. have secured contracts for five houses at Passaic.

### The Population of Middletown.

Is about 15,000 and we would say at least one-half are troubled with some affliction of the Throat and Lungs, as those complaints are, according to statistics, more numerous than others. We would advise all not to neglect the opportunity to call on their druggists and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. Price 25 and 50c. Trial size free. Sold by all druggists.

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### RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.

The writer cannot find words to express his feelings to his many kind friends and patrons, and the closing scene of a 31 year business life to him, as he looks over the past, brings thoughts and recollections that are more impressive to him than others can imagine. But the changes come thick and fast to all. Only about one week more and one door will be closed, as far as the writer is concerned.

### Two Days More—Special Sale Black and Fancy Silks.

As we want to close our entire stock of Silks, we have placed them on the two centre counters in the rear of our store and marked them COST, and 10 and 20 per cent less than cost. We do not want to move one yard of silk Balance of Wash Goods, Domestics and Table Linen Thursday and Friday at the following price:—Dress Gingham at 3c a yard. 15c Fine Organdie Boule at 10c a yard. 10 yards Fine 16c Organdie, all new designs, for \$1.10. Wide 8c Cotton Domet Flannel at 3c a yard. 45 inch Bleached Fruit of the Loom Pillow Case Muslin at 10c a yd. 45 inch good Bleached Muslin at 8c a yard. 56 inch Bleached Muslin at 8c a yard. We have just two pieces of Sheetting left. Prices never so low. You must come quick. Table Linen—Our stock of Table Linen is not large, so we have decided to close every yard. Three pieces of good Bleached Damask, the 30 and 35c quality, at 17c a yard. The 75c quality at 55 and 60c a yard. The \$1 quality at 75c a yard. The \$2 quality at \$1.50 a yard. Kid Gloves and Corsets as advertised Saturday. Our Lining Sale brought many buyers. We will continue to sell the best Lining Cambric at 2c a yard on Thursday and Friday only.

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